

1 represents the least, least hazard to the environment. It
2 offers the most control. We are not faced with the
3 secondary effects of pollution, airborne, waterborne that
4 are automatic with landfills, incinerators and waste water
5 treatment systems. The security of a deep well is
6 unparalleled, and the fact that all contact with the ambient
7 ecosphere is eliminated. It far exceeds any other method of
8 waste disposal.

9 Thank you for being here.

10 MR. deBLASIO: Sandra Yerman followed by Mike
11 Garfield. FOIA
EX. 6

12 MS. YERMAN: Sandra Yerman [REDACTED]
13 [REDACTED]

14 I deeply resent having to be here tonight. Deeply
15 resent that EDS well issue dividing my community of Romulus.
16 I deeply resent the emotional trauma that EDS well issue has
17 had on my and my family's life; and now that these
18 resentments and damages have been documented, I will go on.

19 EDS is incorporated. The corporation definition
20 of a corporation in the dictionary is a legal creation
21 authorized to act with the rights and liabilities of a
22 person, in the singular, which to me means EDS the
23 corporation is entitled to cast only one vote in their own
24 favor.

25 R.E.C.A.P. has collected three thousand signatures

1 of her sons, in the plural, against toxic hazardous waste
2 injection wells.

3 I believe this permit could be denied for legal as
4 well as technical reasons. You at the EPA have already
5 overruled and gone over the heads of Governor John Engler
6 and the Michigan Department of Community Health when you
7 issued your own 1997 Supplementary Michigan Consumption
8 Advisory for Michigan's Great Lakes Waters.

9 Governor John Engler and Michigan Department of
10 Community Health have been derelict or deficient in their
11 duty to protect Michigan citizens who eat fish. You the EPA
12 need to intercede for us in Michigan again to protect
13 Michigan citizens with perhaps a 1997, 1998 Toxic Hazardous
14 Waste Well Advisory, such as this one which could be issued
15 to all persons (inaudible), and I'll show you how and why.
16 There is a sample.

17 USEPA 1997-1998 Toxic Waste Water Advisory. One,
18 Michigan DNR which is now the function of the Michigan DEQ
19 had neither the funds nor the personnel in 1991 to carry out
20 the responsibilities of minimum security checks for EDS
21 wells. See the April 29th, 1991 interoffice memo to the
22 Michigan DNR. I'll get to that in a minute.

23 Two, the Michigan DNR in 1997 has not aggressively
24 sought by auditing every oil and gas well in Michigan, has
25 not aggressively sought the funds. There were LT's from oil

1 and gas wells (inaudible) Survey Division in its entirety,
2 and see Keith Schneider's article in the June 24th, '96
3 Detroit Free Press.

4 Three, Governor John Engler has cut the personnel
5 in 1997 by his controversial early out downsizing of the
6 Michigan DNR, and Michigan DEQ. See Hugh McDiarmid's
7 article in the July 2nd, 1997 Detroit Free Press. This is
8 not an actual copy. This is just my suggestion.

9 This is an enlarged copy of the Michigan DNR
10 interoffice memo of April 29th of '91, was from, to R.
11 Thomas Segall from A.J. Rarick. His personal opinion, A.J.
12 Rarick's personal opinion was, "I think that this permit for
13 a commercial disposal well would just be the first of many.
14 Commercial disposal is a lucrative business; but especially
15 this point, if we cannot demonstrate that we have performed
16 at least the minimum security checks, surveillance of
17 casing, ceiling and pressure testing, we the GSD and
18 Michigan DNR will suffer severe criticism that we have
19 neither the funds nor the personnel to carry out these
20 responsibilities as I'm afraid an argument which will be
21 lost in the supplemental environmentalist rhetoric.

22 The subsequent environmentalist rhetoric is not
23 the important consideration here. It's the fact that they
24 don't have the funds for the minimum security checks.

25 Like I say, it was to R. Thomas Segall from A.J.

1 Rarick. Both became employees of EDS, and it was carbon
2 copied to Tom Wellman who is now the Michigan DEQ contact
3 person for the Citrin Drive site.

4 In spite of that the Michigan DNR gave EDS a
5 permit three months after that damaging interoffice memo,
6 and also Al Rarick made a notation here the permit number
7 was changed, and I'd like to know the reason for that.

8 Then three months later the EPA gave EDS a permit
9 after the Michigan DEQ gave them a permit on October 27th of
10 '91.

11 Okay, in order to rectify the inadequacies of our
12 governor and Michigan DEQ, I propose, one, that you EPA deny
13 EDS their permit; two, allow EDS their permits only if, A,
14 funding to the Geological Survey Division is restored to 100
15 percent by an order of A.L. Cole to audit every oil and gas
16 well in the state of Michigan; Governor John Engler restores
17 personnel to 1991 levels by hiring new personnel to the
18 Michigan DNR/Michigan DEQ that were, that had early
19 retirement, and Governor John Engler restores personnel to
20 above 1991 levels since the 1991 interoffice memo stated
21 personnel numbers at that time were inadequate; and C, if
22 and when pigs fly.

23 In addition, EDS may well think that they have a
24 beef with the Michigan DNR, Michigan DEQ because such
25 funding and personnel problems at the Michigan DEQ are not

1 EDS's fault. However, EDS has hired both communicators of
2 the interoffice memo, Tom Segall and Al Rarick, after April
3 29th of '91. Because of this EDS has no legal grounds for a
4 lawsuit; however, I feel that if you the EPA grant this
5 permit, in my opinion the citizens of Romulus do have legal
6 grounds for a lawsuit, class action or otherwise, because
7 EDS, the Michigan DEQ and maybe even you the EPA for not
8 interceding for Romulus on our behalf.

9 Now being presented with this interoffice memo and
10 further inadequacies of our governor, and Michigan DEQ and
11 especially when he did interfere for Michigan citizens
12 because of PCB's in Michigan's fish. Thank you.

13 MR. deBLASIO: Mike Garfield followed by Eric
14 Shilares, did I pronounce?

15 VOICE: You got it.

16 MR. GARFIELD: Good evening. My name is Mike
17 Garfield. I'm the Director of the Ecology Center, an Ann
18 Arbor-based environmental organization with over four
19 thousand members, supporters in southeast Michigan some of
20 whom live in this area.

21 We are dismayed to again come before you to
22 register our opposition to yet another proposal to inject
23 untreated waste and to this proposed deep injection well.
24 This proposal represents unnecessary additional burden on
25 every resident when they have injected again and again at